Spring REST

RestController

- Rest isNetwork Architectural style
- Resources are defined and addressed
- Operations mapped to URLs
- RestController provides Restful service in spring MVC

Naming Resources

REST uses URI to identify resources

http://localhost/books/

http://localhost/books/ISBN-0011

http://localhost/books/ISBN-0011/authors

http://localhost/classes

http://localhost/classes/cs2650

http://localhost/classes/cs2650/students

 As you traverse the path from more generic to more specific, you are navigating the data

Verbs

- Represent the actions to be performed on resources
- HTTP GET
- HTTP POST
- HTTP PUT
- HTTP DELETE

HTTP GET

- How clients ask for the information they seek.
- Issuing a GET request transfers the data from the server to the client in some representation
- GET http://localhost/books
 - Retrieve all books
- GET http://localhost/books/ISBN-0011021
 - Retrieve book identified with ISBN-0011021
- GET http://localhost/books/ISBN-0011021/authors
 - Retrieve authors for book identified with ISBN-0011021

HTTP PUT, POST, DELETE

- HTTP POST creates a resource
- HTTP PUT updates a resource
- HTTP DELETE removes a resource
- POST http://localhost/books/
 - Content: {title, authors[], ...}
 - Creates a new book with given properties
- PUT http://localhost/books/isbn-111
 - Content: {isbn, title, authors[], ...}
 - Updates book identified by isbn-111 with submitted properties
- DELETE http://localhost/books/ISBN-0011
 - Delete book identified by ISBN-0011

Typical REST URLs

REST Endpoint	HTTP Method	Description
/customers	GET	Returns the list of customers
/customers/{id}	GET	Returns customer detail for given customer {id}
/customers	POST	Creates new customer from the post data
/customers	PUT	Replace the details for given customer
/customers/{id}	DELETE	Delete the customer for given customer {id}

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Representations

• XML

JSON

```
Course :
{"id": "CS2650",

"name": "Distributed Multimedia Sofware"}
```

@RequestMapping

- used on classes and such classes are referred to as root resource classes
- @RequestMapping("calc") sets the path to the base URI + /calc.
 The base URI consists of the host, port and any context.
- HTTP requests can also be mapped through this annotation
- Can also specify type odf data consumed and type of data produced
- Example:

```
@RequestMapping(path = "/",
consumes = MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON_VALUE,
produces = MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON_VALUE,
method = RequestMethod.GET)
```

@RequestBody

- @RequestBody annotation maps the HttpRequest body to a domain object, enabling automatic deserialization of the inbound HttpRequest body onto a Java object
- Example:

```
@RequestMapping("/request")
public ResponseEntity postController( @RequestBody Emp x) {
    // ......
}
```

ResponseEntity

- ResponseEntity embeds the response object along with HTTP info
- Useful when the method returns different types of data and also to send HTTP response codes

REST Client: RestTemplate

- Accessing a REST service inside a Spring application revolves the use of the Spring RestTemplate class.
- The RestTemplate class is designed on the same principles as the many other Spring Template classes likeJdbcTemplate, & JmsTemplate providing a simplified approach with default behaviors for performing complex tasks
- Example:

```
RestTemplate restTemplate = new RestTemplate();
String result = restTemplate.getForObject(uri, String.class);
```

- RestTemplate class has methods
 - headForHeaders()
 - getForObject()
 - postForObject()
 - put()
 - delete()
 - etc

RestTemplate Examples

```
HttpHeaders headers = new HttpHeaders();
headers.setAccept(Arrays.asList(MediaType.APPLICATION_JSON));

HttpEntity<String> entity = new HttpEntity<String>("parameters", headers);

ResponseEntity<String> result = restTemplate.exchange(uri, HttpMethod.GET, entity, String.class);
```

```
String uri = "http://localhost:8080/springrestexample/employees/{id}";

Map<String, String> params = new HashMap<String, String>();
params.put("id", "1");

RestTemplate restTemplate = new RestTemplate();
Employee result = restTemplate.getForObject(uri, Employee.class, params);
```